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Date: November 20, 2006

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Docket No.: BIH-001AX

Sir:

In re application of: William Cohn

Entitled: SURGICAL RETRACTOR


Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The following checked items are applicable:

- ☒ This is a Request for Continued Examination under §1.114; authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of same (\$790.00) per §1.17(e).  
☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ per §1.116.
- ☐ Small Entity Status is asserted.
- ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time for 3 month is hereby made under §1.136(a); authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of same (\$1,020.00) per §1.17.
- ☐ In the event a Petition for Extension of Time is required by this paper and not otherwise provided, such Petition is hereby made and authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of such extension.
- ☒ Other: RCE Letter

CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT:	MINUS PRIOR PAID CLAIMS:	EQUALS PRESENT EXTRA CLAIMS:	RATE:	ADDITIONAL FEE:
Independent	5 - 5	= 0	x \$200.00 =	0
Total	50 - 50	= 0	x \$ 50.00 =	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claims (1st presentation)			+ \$360.00 =	
SUBTOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE				0
Small Entity filing, divide by 2. Small Entity status must be asserted.				
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE				0

- ☒ No additional fee. ☐ The fee has been calculated above; authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) for the cost of same.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees under §1.16 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0804.

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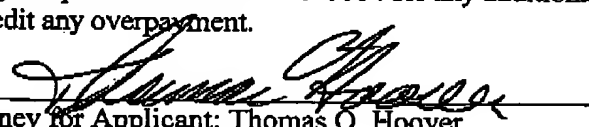
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